

# **SOUTH CAROLINA LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION**



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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**December 15, 2004**

SLED agents arrested and charged a S.C. Department of Motor Vehicles' employee Tuesday afternoon, December 14, 2004, with **Criminal Conspiracy, Forgery, and Alteration of a Drivers License.**

Tonia Elease Scott, 32, of Lugoff, S.C. was arrested at approximately 1:30 p.m. and booked at the Lexington County Detention Center.

The arrest is a result of an investigation conducted by SLED at the request of the S.C. Department of Motor Vehicles. The case will be prosecuted by the Eleventh Circuit Solicitor's Office.

## ARREST WARRANT

-821209

H- 821209

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

X ☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of  
Lexington

THE STATE  
against

TONIA ELEASE SCOTT

Address: 429-I SUTTON BRANCH RD

LUGOFF, SC 29078

Phone: 803-408-6748 SSN: [REDACTED]

SEX: [REDACTED] Race: [REDACTED] Height: 7 Weight: 40

DL SSG [REDACTED]

DOB: 01/02/1972 Agency OFFERED

Prosecuting Agency: S.C. LAW ENFORCEMENT

Prosecuting Officer: HIATT, JOHN G.H.

Offense: FORGERY

Offense Code: [REDACTED]

Code/Ordinance Sec. 16-13-10

This warrant is CERTIFIED FOR SERVICE in the  
☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of

The accused  
is to be arrested and brought before me to be  
dealt with according to law.

Signature of Judge \_\_\_\_\_, (L.S.)  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## RETURN

A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to  
defendant TONIA ELEASE SCOTT

on 12-14-04

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer  
S/A [REDACTED]

RETURN WARRANT TO:

JAMIE LUCAS  
428 OAK DRIVE  
LEXINGTON, SC 29072  
803-951-2568

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

X ☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of  
Lexington

AFFIDAVIT

Personally appeared before me the affiant JOHN G.H. HIATT who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant TONIA ELEASE SCOTT

did within this county and state on 10/16/2004

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of \_\_\_\_\_) violate the criminal laws of the

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: FORGERY

I further state that there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit  
the crime set forth and that probable cause is based on the following facts:

THAT ON 10-16-04 THE DEF., TONIA E. SCOTT, WHILE AN EMPLOYEE OF  
THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES, DID FALSELY MAKE  
A SOUTH CAROLINA DRIVER'S LICENSE USING FALSE AND FICTITIOUS  
INFORMATION PROVIDED AND PLACED ONTO A SOUTH CAROLINA DRIVER'S  
LICENSE APPLICATION WAS INCORRECT. AFFIANT AND OTHERS ARE  
WITNESS TO PROVE THE SAME, SAID OFFENSE OCCURRED AT THE DEPARTMENT  
OF MOTOR VEHICLES OFFICE 122 PARK ROAD, IN THE LEXINGTON AREA OF  
LEXINGTON COUNTY.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

X ☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of  
Lexington

Affiant's Address

SLED  
4400 BROAD RIVER ROAD

Affiant's Telephone

COLUMBIA, SC 29221  
803-737-9000

## ARREST WARRANT

TO ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THIS STATE OR MUNICIPALITY OR ANY CONSTABLE OF THIS COUNTY:

It appearing from the above affidavit that there are reasonable grounds to believe that

on 10/16/2004 defendant TONIA ELEASE SCOTT

did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of

☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of \_\_\_\_\_) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: 16-13-10

FORGERY

Having found probable cause and the above affiant having sworn before me, you are empowered and directed to arrest the said  
defendant and bring him or her before me forthwith to be dealt with according to law. A copy of this Arrest Warrant shall be delivered to  
the defendant at the time of its execution, or as soon thereafter as is practicable.

Sworn to and subscribed before me

on 12/14/2004

Signature of Issuing Judge \_\_\_\_\_, (L.S.)  
Judge Code: 886

Judge's Address

521 GIBSON RD.  
LEXINGTON, SC 29072

Judge's Telephone

951-2542  
Issuing Court X ☐ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

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S.C. Attorney General  
April 21, 2003  
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## ARREST WARRANT

1-821208

H- 821208

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

X ☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Lexington

THE STATE

against

TONIA ELEASE SCOTT

Address: 429-T SUTTON BRANCH RD

LUGOFF, SC 29078

Phone: 803-408-6748 SSN: [REDACTED]

Sex: [REDACTED] Race: [REDACTED] Height: 7 Weight: 140

DL S&amp;S: [REDACTED] DL: [REDACTED]

DOB: 01/02/1972 Agency OFFERED

Prosecuting Agency: S.C. LAW ENFORCEMENT

Prosecuting Officer: HIATT, JOHN G.H

Offense: CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY

Offense Code: [REDACTED]

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-17-410

This warrant is CERTIFIED FOR SERVICE in the  
☐ County/ ☐ Municipality ofThe accused  
is to be arrested and brought before me to be  
dealt with according to law.

Date: [REDACTED] Signature of Judge (L.S.)

## RETURN

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on 12-14-04

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

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LEXINGTON, SC 29072  
803-951-2568

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X ☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of

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being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant TONIA ELEASE SCOTT

did within this county and state on 10/16/2004

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of [REDACTED]) violate the criminal laws of the

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY

I further state that there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit  
the crime set forth and that probable cause is based on the following facts:

THAT ON 10-16-04 THE DEF. TONIA E. SCOTT, WHILE AN EMPLOYEE OF  
THE SCDMV, ENTERED INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] AND CONSPIRED TO FRAUDULENTLY ISSUE A SCDL USING FALSE  
AND FICTITIOUS INFO. THE DEF. KNEW THE LICENSE AND INFORMATION  
WAS INCORRECT BUT ASSISTED THE INDIVIDUAL THROUGH THEIR AGREEMENT  
TO OBTAIN THE LICENSE. AFFIANT AND OTHERS ARE WITNESS TO PROVE  
SAME. SAID OFFENSE OCCURED AT THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES  
OFFICE 122 PARK ROAD, IN THE LEXINGTON AREA OF LEXINGTON COUNTY.

Signature of Affiant

S/A [REDACTED]

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

X ☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Lexington

Affiant's Address SLED 4400 BROAD RIVER ROAD

Affiant's Telephone COLUMBIA, SC 29221

803-737-9000

TO ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THIS STATE OR MUNICIPALITY OR ANY CONSTABLE OF THIS COUNTY:

If appearing from the above affidavit that there are reasonable grounds to believe that

on 10/16/2004 defendant TONIA ELEASE SCOTT

did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of

☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of [REDACTED]) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: 16-17-410

CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY

Having found probable cause and the above affiant having sworn before me, you are empowered and directed to arrest the said  
defendant and bring him or her before me forthwith to be dealt with according to law. A copy of this Arrest Warrant shall be delivered to  
the defendant at the time of its execution, or as soon thereafter as is practicable.

Sworn to and subscribed before me

on 12/14/2004

Signature of Issuing Judge

(L.S.)

Judge Code: 884

Judge's Address 521 GIBSON RD.

LEXINGTON, SC 29072

Judge's Telephone 951-2542

Issuing Court: X ☐ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

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## ARREST WARRANT

-821210

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## STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

X ☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Lexington

THE STATE

against

## TONIA ELEASE SCOTT

Address: 429-1 SUTTON BRANCH RD

LUGOFF, SC 29078

Phone: 803-408-6749 SSN: [REDACTED]

SEX: [REDACTED] Race: [REDACTED] Height: 7 Weight: 140

DL S06 [REDACTED] DL [REDACTED]

DOB: 01/02/1972 Agency OR [REDACTED]

Prosecuting Agency: S.C. LAW ENFORCEMENT

Prosecuting Officer: HIATT, JOHN G.H

Offense: ALTERATION OF DL

Offense Code: [REDACTED]

Code/Ordinance Sec. 56-1-515

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Signature of Judge

(L.S.)

Date: [REDACTED]

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in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: ALTERATION OF DRIVERS LICENSE

I further state that there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit the crime set forth and that probable cause is based on the following facts:

THAT ON 10-16-04 THE DEF., TONIA E. SCOTT, WHILE AN EMPLOYEE OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES, DID PROVIDE FRAUDULENT INFORMATION ON A SC DRIVER'S LICENSE APPLICATION. THE DEF. THEN FRAUDULENTLY ISSUED A SC DL # [REDACTED] TO ONE [REDACTED] INVESTIGATION DETERMINED THAT [REDACTED] WAS NOT ENTITLED TO SAID DL UNDER THE DMV GUIDELINES. AFT AND OTHERS ARE WITNESS TO PROVE THE SAME, SAID OFFENSE OCCURRED AT THE DMV OFFICE AT 122 PARK RD IN THE LEX CO. AREA.

Signature of Affiant

## STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

X ☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of

Lexington

Affiant's Address: SLED

4400 BROAD RIVER ROAD

Affiant's Telephone: COLUMBIA, SC 29221

803-737-9000

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It appearing from the above affidavit that there are reasonable grounds to believe that

on 10/16/2004 defendant TONIA ELEASE SCOTT

did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of [REDACTED]) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: 56-1-515

ALTERATION OF DRIVERS LICENSE

Having found probable cause and the above affiant having sworn before me, you are empowered and directed to arrest the said defendant and bring him or her before me forthwith to be dealt with according to law. A copy of this Arrest Warrant shall be delivered to the defendant at the time of its execution, or as soon thereafter as is practicable.

Sworn to and subscribed before me

on 12/14/2004

Signature of Issuing Judge (L.S.)

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Judge's Address: 521 GIBSON RD.

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Issuing Court: X ☐ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

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